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C. DeLORES TUCKER  
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

March 8, 1977

Mr. E.H. Knoche  
Acting Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Knoche:

It was a great honor and pleasure meeting you on my recent visit to the CIA for Black History Month.

You and your staff could not have been more gracious in making me feel at home. In fact, if I weren't already involved in meaningful public service, I just might have taken you up on your job offer!

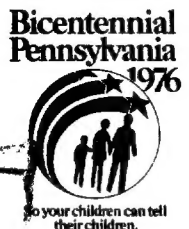
I am delighted that you feel my message on black women had such a positive impact. May I return your compliment by saying that if there were more public servants of your calibre in executive positions, the advances of humankind would truly have been multiplied. Pittsburgh and the Commonwealth are indeed proud to claim you as a native son.

Hopefully we will have the opportunity to meet again in the near future.

Kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

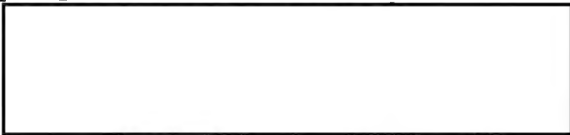
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C. DeLores Tucker



MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director of  
Central Intelligence  
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Attached is the formal letter  
inviting U.N. Ambassador Andrew Young  
to appear as guest speaker for a Black  
History Month program scheduled for  
28 February.

  
J. C. Ware, Jr.  
Director  
Equal Employment Opportunity

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Mr. Ware and Mr. Knoche

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The Honorable Andrew Young  
U.S. Mission to the U.N.  
799 United Nations Plaza  
New York, New York 10017

Dear Ambassador Young:

Pursuant to our earlier conversation, this note extends an official invitation to you to participate in our Black History Month program on February 28. The Agency activities for this year's observance are focused on the historical and contemporary achievements of black American women. You may speak on any topic you wish, including the theme of our program if it would be of value to you. We will ask a member of our Office of Equal Employment Opportunity to be your contact and to provide you with any support you may need.

Sincerely yours,

E. H. Knoche  
Acting Director

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February 14, 1977

Mrs. C. DeLores Tucker  
Secretary of State of the  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
State Capitol Building  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Mrs. Tucker:

The vibes were entirely good throughout CIA Headquarters today and all of us at the Agency want you to know how much we appreciated your joining us on the occasion of Black History Month.

Your remarks were right on and we thrilled to your message of pride in the accomplishments of black women and the need now to link all humanity in this land of ours as we face future challenges.

Your talk was inspirational and I count it a true privilege that we were able to have you in our midst.

May more of our fellow Americans have the opportunity to hear your message and to get to know you.

Thanks for coming our way. A return visit is more than welcome...any time.

All the best.

Faithfully yours,



E. H. Knoche  
Acting Director

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C. DELORES TUCKER  
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

January 26, 1977

Honorable George Bush  
The Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Director Bush:

Thank you for your very kind invitation to participate in the CIA's observance of Black History Week.

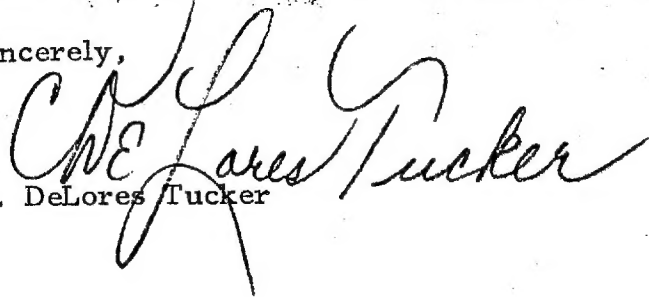
I will be delighted to be your keynote speaker at 12 Noon, Monday, February 14, 1977. It will, indeed, be a pleasure to share my views with you and your staff.

STAT Please ask [redacted] of your agency, to contact my assistant, Ms. Marie Bessick, to finalize details.

Attached, please find a resume and photograph.

Again, may I thank you for inviting me to participate in your program.

Sincerely,

  
C. DeLores Tucker

STAT cc: [redacted]

Attachment 

C. DeLORES TUCKER

C. DeLores Tucker, Secretary of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania since January 1971, is the highest ranking black woman in state government in the country. She is Vice President of the Pennsylvania NAACP, Vice Chairman of the Pennsylvania Black Democratic Committee, Secretary of the National Board of Directors of PUSH, and Vice President of the National Association of Secretaries of State. She is a member of the National Women's Political Caucus, the 1976 Democratic National Campaign Committee. She is a former vice chairman of the Pennsylvania Democratic State Committee and a former member of the Executive Committee of the Democratic National Committee. She was a founder of the National Black Woman's Caucus.

Mrs. Tucker holds honorary degrees from Villa Maria College, Erie, Pennsylvania, and from Morris College, Sumter, South Carolina. Before becoming Secretary of State, she was president of C. DeLores Tucker Associates, a Philadelphia public relations firm, and served as a member and secretary of the Philadelphia Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Mrs. Tucker participated with Dr. Martin Luther King in the Selma-Montgomery March, and was a delegate to the White House Conference on Civil Rights. She received the 1961 NAACP Freedom Fund Award; the National Association of Television and Radio Artists (NATRA) Woman of the Year Award, 1972; the Martin Luther King Service and Achievement Award; the National Opportunities Industrialization Center, Inc. (OIC) Achievement Award; the 1974 Community Service Award, Quaker City Chapter B'nai Brith. She was named by Ebony magazine as one of America's "100 Most Influential Black Americans" for the past four years.

Other activities include membership on the board of directors of: Commonwealth Board of the Medical College of Pennsylvania; the New School of Music; the Philadelphia Tribune Charities, Inc.; Messiah College Board of Associates; The Martin Luther King Center for Social Change; the CATALYST Council of Advisors, and Links, Inc. Mrs. Tucker is a member of the Pennsylvania Bicentennial Commission and the Pennsylvania Commission on Women. She is an honorary member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Mrs. Tucker is the wife of William L. Tucker and daughter of Rev. Whitfield Nottage and the late Captilda Nottage.

She was appointed to a second four-year term as Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by Governor Milton J. Shapp on January 6, 1975.

Mrs. Tucker was nominated by Ladies' Home Journal (1975 and 1976) as one of its "Women of the Year." She was named as best qualified to be Ambassador to the United Nations on a slate of 22 women who could save America by the National Women's Political Caucus and Redbook magazine.

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